

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-29, all of the claims in the application, as filed, as set forth in the verified translation of PCT DE2003/002651. Please also cancel claims 1-6 and 19-26 as set forth in the letter from KBA to the EPO dated October 13, 2004. Additionally, please cancel claims 1-26 as set forth in the letter from KBA to the EPO dated December 9, 2004.

Please add new claims 30-54 as follows.

Claims 1-29 (Cancelled)

30. (New) A device for pressing a dressing against a cylinder of a printing press comprising:

a plurality of pressing elements supported adjacent the cylinder, at least one of said pressing elements being engageable with one of a plurality of dressings arranged side-by-side in an axial direction of the cylinder independently of other ones of said plurality of printing elements, each said pressing element being embodied as a rolling element;

a support for each one of said plurality of printing elements, each said support being embodied as an elastically bendable body; and

an actuating means associated with each said support, each said actuating means being adapted to be charged with a pressure medium, each said actuating means, upon actuation, being operable to deflect an associated one of said supports to place said rolling element carried by said support against a dressing on the cylinder by elastic bending of said support, each said support, upon an end of said

actuation, moving said supported rolling element away from the cylinder.

31. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein said supports move away from said cylinder at said end of said actuation by operation of said elastically bendable body.

32. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein there are six dressings in said axial direction of the cylinder.

33. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein there are two dressings in a circumferential direction of the cylinder.

34. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein said at least one of said pressing elements engageable with a dressing includes leading and trailing pressing elements spaced from each other circumferentially with respect to a production direction of rotation of the cylinder.

35. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein said rolling element is one of a roll and a roller.

36. (New) The device of claim 34 including a first one of said supports for said leading pressing element and a second one of said supports for said trailing pressing element.

37. (New) The device of claim 36 further including a holder spaced from the cylinder,

said first support being connected to said holder.

38. (New) The device of claim 36 wherein said second support is connected to said first support.

39. (New) The device of claim 37 further including a rigid stop on said holder, said actuating means acting on said first support being supported by said rigid stop.

40. (New) The device of claim 36 further including one of said actuating means between said first support and said second support.

41. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein each said actuating means is a reversibly deformable hollow body.

42. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein each said support is in the shape of a blade.

43. (New) The device of claim 30 wherein each said support is a resilient metal piece.

44. (New) A method for pressing a dressing against a cylinder of a printing press including:

providing a plurality of dressings arranged side-by-side in an axial direction on the cylinder;

assigning at least a first pressing element to each of said dressings;
arranging said first printing element assigned to all of said dressings
arranged side-by-side in said axial direction of said cylinder;
supporting said at least first pressing element assigned to each said
dressing for moving toward and away from said cylinder independently of a remainder
of said pressing elements assigned to other ones of said dressings;
providing at least one further pressing element spaced in a circumferential
direction of said cylinder from said first pressing element and leading said first printing
element in a direction of production rotation of said cylinder; and
placing said at least one further pressing element against said one of said
dressings to be pressed on said cylinder.

45. (New) The method of claim 44 further including providing a dressing end
receiving opening in said cylinder, providing a trailing suspension leg on said dressing,
pressing said at least first pressing element against said dressing adjacent said opening
in said cylinder for maintaining said dressing trailing suspension leg in said opening,
and pressing said further pressing element against said dressing as soon as said first
pressing element is in engagement with said dressing.

46. (New) The method of claim 44 further including providing a dressing end
suspension leg holding member in said opening, said holding member having holding
and release positions, moving said further pressing element away from said dressing to
be pressed on said cylinder when said cylinder is rotated so that said further pressing
element is positioned along said opening and said holding member is in said release

position.

47. (New) The method of claim 46 further including maintaining said further pressing element placed against said dressing until said further pressing element is located at said opening, a suspension leg at a leading end of said dressing being maintained in said opening.

48. (New) A method for pressing a dressing against a cylinder of a printing press including:

- placing several dressings arranged side-by-side in an axial direction of the cylinder;

- providing a plurality of dressing engageable rolling elements arranged side-by-side in said axial direction of the cylinder;

- assigning at least one of said plurality of rolling elements to each said dressing;

- engaging one of said rolling elements with its associated one of said dressing at a start of a dressing attachment process;

- maintaining said one of said rolling elements in contact with said associated one of said dressings during said attachment process; and

- moving each said one of said plurality of rolling elements toward and away from its associated one of said dressings independently of others of said plurality of rolling elements.

49. (New) The method of claim 48 further including providing said dressings with

suspension legs at ends of said dressings and providing a dressing end leg receiving opening in the cylinder.

50. (New) The method of claim 49 further including suspending a dressing leading end suspension leg in said opening at said start of said dressing attachment process.

51. (New) The method of claim 49 further including suspending a dressing trailing suspension leg in said opening at an end of said dressing attachment process.

52. (New) The method of claim 51 further including providing a dressing end holding member in said opening and changing said holding member from a release position to a holding position at said end of said dressing attachment process.

53. (New) The method of claim 52 further including moving said rolling element away from said cylinder after placing said holding members in said holding position.

54. (New) The method of claim 49 further including suspending a leading one of said dressing end suspension legs in said opening, rotating said cylinders in a cylinder production direction, and suspending a trailing one of said dressing end suspension legs in said opening.